



# News Release

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## **Siskiyou County Resource Advisory Committee now accepting proposals for funding**

**Yreka, CA.** –The Siskiyou County Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will host a grant application workshop for interested parties on Monday September 28, 2015 at the Klamath National Forest Supervisor's Office, 1711 South Main Street, Yreka. The workshop will be from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.. New proposals for projects that maintain existing infrastructure or enhance the health of ecosystems on national forests, while supporting local economies are now being accepted for funding consideration.

The Siskiyou County Resource Advisory Committee was established under the provisions of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000. The RAC is a local advisory committee that recommends projects for funding to federal land managers which will benefit resources on public lands. The fifteen member group represents a cross section of county communities, industries, schools, environmentalists, and local government.

To meet funding requirements, projects should enhance forest ecosystems, restore and improve the health of the land and water quality; and, protect, restore and enhance fish and wildlife habitat. Examples of enhancements are maintenance or obliteration of roads, trails, and infrastructure; improvement of soil productivity; stream and watershed restoration; control of noxious and exotic weeds; and, re-establishment of native species. These projects provide employment in rural communities and an opportunity for local citizens to advise the Forest Service, through participation in RACs, on projects of mutual interest that benefit the environment and the economy.

### **Proposed Workshop Agenda:**

- Meet the committee members who represent your interests.
- Understand the mission of the RAC and how decisions are made.
- Learn how the RAC may be able to support your project.
- Learn what types of projects can be funded.
- Find out how to submit your project to the RAC for funding.
- See examples of successful projects that have been funded.
- Learn how to monitor your project to ensure success.

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For more information on the Siskiyou County RAC, contact Natalie Stovall at the Klamath National Forest: (530) 841-4411 or email [nstovall@fs.fed.us](mailto:nstovall@fs.fed.us).

Additional information can be found on the web at: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/main/pts/home>.

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